and Labor Policy held a hearing on Pushing the Envelope: The Looming Crisis at USPS. Testimony was heard from Patrick Donahoe, Postmaster General and CEO, Postal Services; Ruth Goldway, Postal Regulatory Commission; Phil Herr, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

FY 2012 BUDGET—NASA

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Held a hearing on the National Aeronautics and Space Administration FY 2012 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Charles F. Bolden, Jr., Administrator, NASA.

FY 2012 BUDGET—SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the Small Business Administration FY 2012 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Karen Mills, Administrator, Small Business Administration.

FY 2012 BUDGET—EPA

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Review of the FY 2012 Budget and Priorities of the Environmental Protection Agency: Impacts on Jobs, Liberty, and the Economy. Testimony was heard from Nancy Stoner, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, EPA; and Mathy Stanislaus, Assitant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, EPA.

Joint Meetings No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the implementation of Title VII of the "Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act", 2:30 p.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Office of the Architect of the Capitol, and the Office of Compliance, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of General Martin E. Dempsey, USA for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Chief of Staff, United States Army, Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for the USDA Forest Service, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine navigating a turbulent global economy, focusing on implications for the United States, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 193, to extend the sunset of certain provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act, S. 49, to amend the Federal antitrust laws to provide expanded coverage and to eliminate exemptions from such laws that are contrary to the public interest with respect to railroads, S. 222, to limit investor and homeowner losses in foreclosures, and the nominations of Caitlin Joan Halligan, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Mae A. D'Agostino, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, Jimmie V. Reyna, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, John A. Kronstadt, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Vincent L. Briccetti, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Arenda L. Wright Allen, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Michael Francis Urbanski, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, and Timothy J. Feighery, of New York, to be Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine exploring minority access to capital and contracting opportunities, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations, on NASA FY 2012 Budget Request, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations, oversight hearing on FY 2012 Budget Oversight, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Agencies Appropriations, oversight of the State Department and foreign operations programs, 1 p.m., HT-2, the Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the FY 2012 national defense authorization budget requests from the U.S. Central Command and the U.S. Special Operations Command, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on Are We Ready? An Independent Look at the Required Readiness Posture of U.S. Forces, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on Examining Recent Regulatory and Enforcement Actions of the Mine Safety and Health Administration, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled "Made in America: Innovations in Job Creation and Economic Growth," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "FY 2012 HHS Budget and the Implementation of Public Laws 111–148 and 111–152," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to consider the following measures: the HAMP Termination Act; the FHA Refinance Program Termination Act; the NSP Termination Act; and the Emergency Mortgage Relief Program Termination Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on Reforming the United Nations: Lessons Learned, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, hearing entitled "The President's FY 2012 Budget Request for the Department of Homeland Security," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Natural Resources, oversight hearing on Department of the Interior Spending and the President's Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Proposal, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing on the Refuse of the Federal Spending Binge: How U.S. Taxpayers are Paying Double for Failing Government Programs, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, hearing on the Department of Energy FY 2012 Research and Development Budget Request, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on Veterans Employment and Training Service's Budget and State Grant Program, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, to meet for organizational purposes; followed by a hearing on Small Businesses and Tax Reform, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, on Ongoing Intelligence Activities, 10 a.m., 304–HVC.